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APPLICATION

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

NATURAL HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION

OPEN SPACE CONSERVATION & ACQUISITION GRANT

PROJECT AND SPONSOR IDENTIFICATION:

1. Applicant's Name:

2. Contact Person:

3. Address:

4. Telephone: Day: Tax # [FEIN]:

PROPERTY INFORMATION

1. Location of property to be acquired (Address, City/Town)

2. Acreage to be Acquired: Assessor's Plat: Lot:

3. Current Owner(s) of Property

4. Type of Acquisition to be made (fee simple title, development rights, conservation restriction, etc.):

5. Assessed Value of Land:

COSTS/FINANCIAL DATA

1. Estimates of Project Costs by Element:

Land Acquisition:

Appraisal Fees:

Survey Costs:

Title search/Title Insurance:

Other Costs (specify):

Total Cost:

2. Proposed Funding Sources:

State

Grant:

Local

Appropriation:

Bonds:

Other:

Private

Land Donation:

Other:

Total Funding:

CRITERIA INFORMATION

A. Habitat Protection

1. Does the property have critical, uncommon, ecologically fragile, or ecologically unique natural communities? Describe the type(s) that are present.
2. Does the property have community types representative of the typical ecological communities of Rhode Island? Describe the type(s) that are present.
3. Does the property include managed open land that provides habitat supporting native animals and plants? Describe the managed open land, the management practices, and the species benefited.

4. Is the property located in an urban or densely developed area?
If yes, describe the significant habitat, open space, or educational values associated with this attribute.

5. Does the property support, or is it capable of supporting, rare/endangered species? Identify the species.

B. GREENWAY OR REGIONAL LINKAGES

1. Is the property contiguous with other protected land?
If yes, identify the protected parcels.
- Yes: No:

2. Is the property contiguous to a river or stream as defined in Section 2-1-20(j) of the Rhode Island Fresh Water Wetlands Act?

Yes: No:

If yes, describe.

3. Does the property provide public recreational opportunities?

Yes: No:

If yes, describe.

4. Does the property provide a connection between an urban community and other protected lands or parks?

Yes: No:

If yes, describe.

C. PLANNING CONSISTENCY -

If you answer yes to questions 1-4 please attach copies of plan sections.

1. Is the acquisition consistent with the Local Comprehensive Plan?

Yes: No:

2. Is the acquisition consistent with a Local Open Space Plan?

Yes: No:

3. Is the acquisition identified in a Regional or Watershed Plan?

Yes: No:

4. Is the acquisition identified in the Greenways/Greenspace Element of the State Guide Plan?

Yes: No:

D. RESOURCE PROTECTION

1. Identify and describe the sustainable resources that would be protected through acquisition of the property. These may include fisheries, forest, agricultural, cultural, geological, scenic, and/or biological resources.

E. WATER RESOURCE PROTECTION

1. Is the property located within the watershed of a Public Water Supply or Groundwater Recharge Area?

Yes: No:

If yes, include map of watershed with property identified.

2. Does the Federal Emergency Management Agency locate the property within a Special Flood Hazard Area (Zone V or A) as identified on Flood Insurance Rate Maps published?

Yes: No:

If yes, include copy of appropriate map.

E. MULTI-COMMUNITY APPLICATION

1. Is the property located in 2 or more communities?

Yes: No:

If yes, provide evidence of consent of the governing boards for each agency.

OTHER INFORMATION

1. Is the land currently For Sale: Yes: No:

If no describe how the land will be acquired.

2. Has the land been subdivided: Yes: No:

Date of the subdivision:

3. How is the land zoned?

4. Has the zoning changed in the past five years? Yes: No:

If yes, what was the previous zoning?

5. Are there structures on the property? Yes: No:

If yes, describe them.

6. Describe any conservation/management practices performed on the property currently:
7. Proposed uses of the property. (Education, Research, Passive Recreation, other use). Describe briefly the proposed uses of the property.
8. Who will manage the property if different from the applicant?
List the contact person and their address:

Attach the following:

1. Copy of U.S.G.S. topographic map identifying the location of the property.
2. Copy of plat map.
3. Copies of relevant pages from planning documents cited in Section C.
4. Landowner intent form to allow inspection. (NHP-106)
5. Agency certificate to keep the property in open space in perpetuity.
6. Evidence of the governing board's consent to make application and their commitment to keeping the property open in perpetuity. If multi-community application, provide evidence for all governing boards.
7. If a private organization, include a copy of incorporation papers filed with the Secretary of State or charitable trust arrangement with the Attorney General's Office and a copy of 501 (c) (3) status from the Internal Revenue Service.